

Presentations

Given at the 8th Annual International Congress of Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders Rome, Italy June 13th - June 17th, 2004

Samii, A, Slimp JC, Goodkin R. "Deep Brain Stimulation in a Patient on Immunosuppressive Therapy after Renal Transplantation". Movemeth Disorders 2004; 19(suppl9):S283-S284.

Samii A, Slimp JC, Goodkin R. "Unilateral Subthalamic Nucleus Deep Brain Stimulation Contralateral to Thalamic Stimulation in Parkinson Disease". Movement Disorders 2004;19(suppl9):S284.

Swarztrauber K, Bourdage R. "The Healthcare delivered to veterans with parkinsonism in the Pacific Northwest".

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Info to be provided by Penny, hopefully Monday or so.

DBS IN-SERVICE TRAINING TO BE HELD AT PVAMC JULY 1ST, 2004

On July first, Penny Hogarth MD and Susan O' Connor, RN will present a one-hour in-service training session to the Portland VA Operative Care Division staff. The training will be held at 7:00 am in building 101, room 201 at the PVAMC, and is entitled "Deep Brain Stimulation in Parkinson's Disease". The presentation will include some general information about the diagnosis and treatment Parkinson's Disease, but will focus primarily on the surgical treatment options for patients with motor fluctuations and dyskinesias. A description of Cooperative Study #468 will be included, and several pre- and post-op videotapes of study subjects will be shown. The goal of the training session is to show the operative care staff - who typically only get to see patients for the surgical phase of the study - the long term results of this form of treatment. For more information about attending this in-service training, contact Susan O'Connor at susan.oconnor2@med.va.gov or at ext. 53262.

SELECTION OF PATIENTS KEY TO SUCCESSFUL DBS OUTCOMES taken from: Samii A, Nutt JG, Ransom BR. Parkinson's disease. Lancet 2004 May 29;363(9423):1783-93.

Surgical ablation of deep brain structures to treat Parkinson's disease goes back six decades blah blah Proposed criteria for deep brain stimulation:

Inclusion criteria

Exclusion criteria

Promotions

Dr. Ali Samii, who has been with the University of Washington since 1998, has been promoted to Associate Professor of Neurology. Shen K-Z and **Johnson SW** (2003) Group II metabotropic glutamate receptor modulation of excitatory transmission in rat subthalamic nucleus. J Physiol (Lond) 553:489-496